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Dr. Garry Wills To Open Series

Dr. Garry Wills, author, syndicated columnist, and lecturer, will open the fourth Shepherd College Lecture-Forum Series when he presents a lecture entitled "A Conservative View of the Election" in Raynolds Hall at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 4.

Dr. Wills, a classical scholar, has recently turned his attention to political commentary. His column appears weekly in The Washington Post and other leading newspapers throughout the country, and he is the author of the widely read Nixon Agonistes, a book published in 1970.

The 38-year-old Dr. Wills was educated at St. Louis University, Xavier University, and Yale, where he received his Ph. D. degree in classics in 1961. As professor and visiting lecturer, he has been a member of the Center for Hellenic Studies, the Johns Hopkins University, the University of California, and St. Mary's Ecumenical Institute of Theology.

His literary contributions are numerous. He has had articles printed in Esquire, National Review, Playboy, and other leading national publications. He was the subject of an article in Time last spring. His nationally syndicated column of political commentary, "Outrider," released by Universal Press Syndicate, first appeared in 1970 and has gained wide readership and recognition.

In addition to numerous books and articles on classics, Dr. Wills has written Jack Ruby (1967); The Second Civil War (1968); Nixon Agonistes; and Bare Ruined Choirs (1972). He holds memberships in National Press Club, P. E. N., Authors Guild, Catholic Commission on Intellectual and Cultural Affairs, and numerous other organizations.

In addition to presenting his evening lecture on the issues facing the American voter in the Presidential election this year, Dr. Wills will speak informally to students in seminar sessions throughout the day and will follow his evening lecture with a question session.

The other two forums in this year's series, which will follow a similar format, are scheduled for February 14 and March 21, 1973. The subjects are to be "Humanizing Education" and "Foreign Affairs: China." Details of those forums will be announced later.